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State of Louisiana
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Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

UL-4 Sand, Reservoir I, and UL-4 A-1 Zone, Reservoir
D, POINTE-A-LA-HACHE FIELD, Plaquemines
Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

BASS ENTERPRISES PRODUCTION CO. ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the UL-4 Sand, Reservoir I, and to the UL-4 A-1 Zone, Reservoir D, in the Pointe-A-La-Hache Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana:

UL-4 Sand, Reservoir I

1. To dissolve the drilling and production unit designated UL-4 RI SUC which was created by Office of Conservation Order No. 462-D-5, effective May 7, 1985, and simultaneously therewith to create a revised drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the UL-4 Sand, Reservoir I, the revised unit being shown on an attached plat and being designated UL-4 RI SUC.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed revised unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To confirm Applicant as Operator of, and its Donovan No. 1 Well as the unit well for, the proposed revised unit.
4. To designate the Bass Enterprises Production Co.--State Lease 16403 No. 1 Well, located as shown on an attached plat, as an alternate unit well for the proposed revised unit, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 462-D-4, effective January 8, 1985.
5. To provide that the Operator of the revised unit may produce the allowable assigned to the unit from either the unit well, the alternate unit well, or from a combination of such wells, at the option of the Operator.

6. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate unit wells for the proposed revised unit be exempt from the well location provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.

7. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the pertinent provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 462-D-4, effective January 8, 1985, and Office of Conservation Order No. 462-D-5, effective May 7, 1985, to the proposed revised unit.

The UL-4 Sand, Reservoir I, in the Pointe-a-la-Hache Field, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 462-D-4, effective January 8, 1985.

UL-4 A-1 Zone, Reservoir D

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the UL-4 A-1 Zone, Reservoir D.

2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the UL-4 A-1 Zone, Reservoir D, such unit being shown on an attached plat and being designated UL-4 A-1 RD SUA.

3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.

4. To designate Applicant as Operator of, and its State Lease 16403 No. 1 Well, as the unit well for, the proposed unit.

5. To propose that all wells drilled in the future to the UL-4 A-1 Zone outside of the unit proposed herein be located in accordance with the provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.

6. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate unit well for UL-4 A-1 RD SUA be exempt from the well location provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.

7. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation may reclassify this reservoir by Supplemental Order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such a reclassification be warranted based on evidence furnished to the Commissioner.

8. To define the UL-4 A-1 Zone, Reservoir D, as that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the measured depths of 11,191 feet and 11,544 feet (10,726' to 11,017' TVD) in the Bass Enterprises Production Co.--State Lease 16403 No. 1 Well, located in Section 19, Township 17 South, Range 14 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

9. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana

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70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

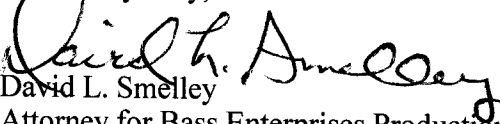
By letter dated August 2, 2001, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these matters. While a single request for a conference was received, it was determined that the party requesting the conference wanted to discuss matters which did not involve the geological, engineering or other basis for Applicant's proposals; therefore, no formal pre-application conference was held but representatives of Applicant did meet with the party in an attempt to respond to his questions.

Attached hereto are plats outlining Applicant's proposed units, which plats are identical to those attached to the pre-application notice. Also attached hereto is a list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list is being forwarded only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. A copy of the list will be furnished by the undersigned to any party so requesting. A reasonable effort was made to obtain a complete list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and of the enclosed plats, at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Pointe-a-la-Hache Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, we enclose our check payable to the Commissioner of Conservation for the application fee.

Yours very truly,


David L. Smelley
Attorney for Bass Enterprises Production Co.

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson (w/encl.)
Mr. Ross Sutton (w/encl.)
Mr. Les Landry (w/encl.)
Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encl.)
Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties (w/plats only)

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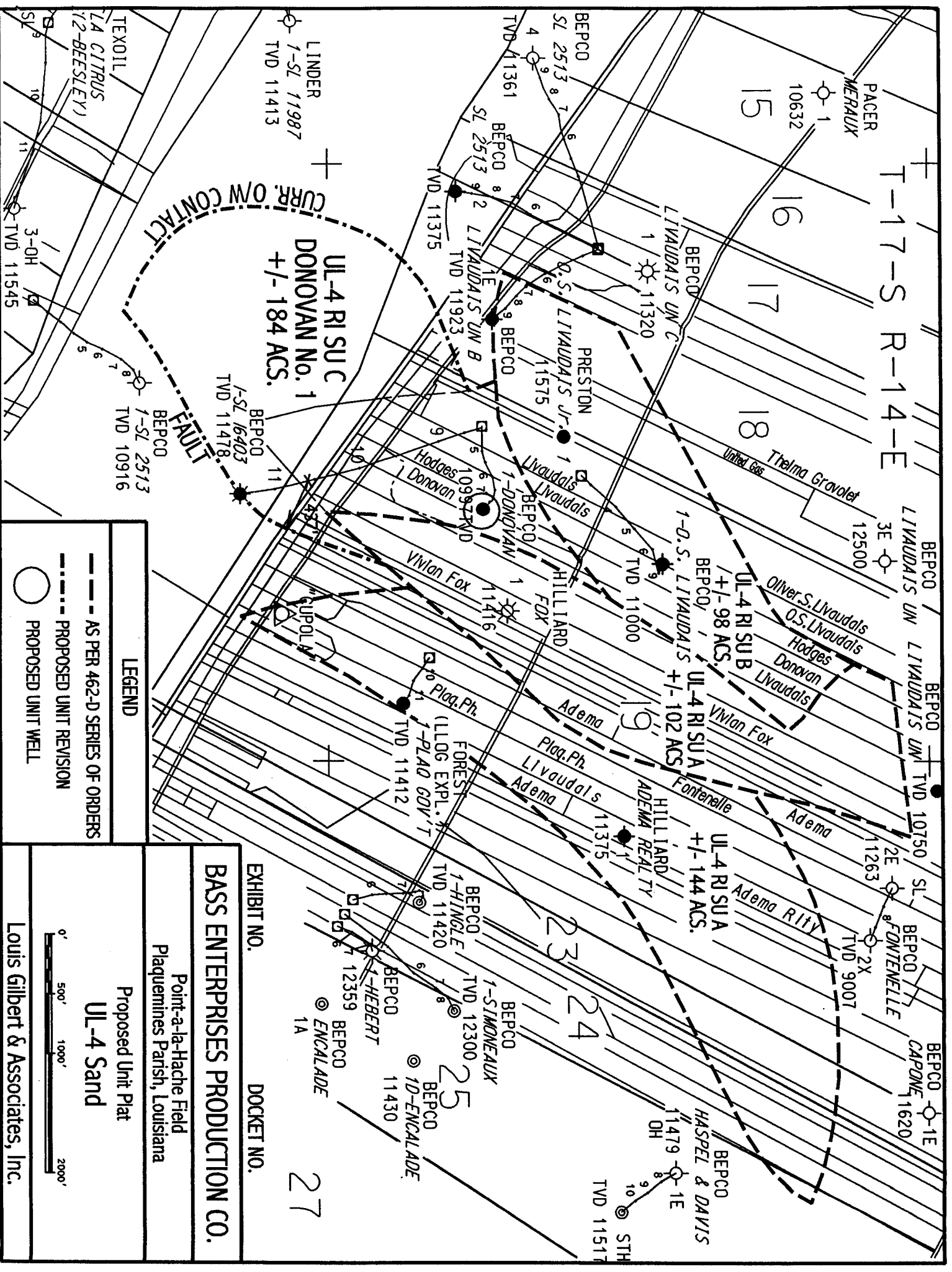


EXHIBIT NO.

DOCKET NO.

BASS ENTERPRISES PRODUCTION CO.

Point-a-la-Hache Field
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Proposed Unit Plat

UL-4 Sand

Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc.

